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L. A. POLICE JAIL FORD; SMASH ELECTION MEET

Four Arrested, Charged With Criminal Syndicalism; Brutally Beat Many Workers; Thousands in Other Cities Hear Ford

Washington State Convention Places Full Communist Ticket on Ballot; Map Active Campaign

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 21. — James Ford, vice-presidential candidate on the Communist ticket, was arrested here last night at the Dundar Hotel by the Red Squad, to prevent him from speaking at the banquet arranged by the Election Campaign Committee of Los Angeles and over the radio. He was held on suspicion of criminal syndicalism, fingerprinted, photographed and finally released at 2:30 this afternoon without charges.

About 600 workers gathered at Vernon and Central avenue to hear Ford, saw the Red Squad and the American Legion brutally prevent the banquet, arrest four workers, including Walter Martin, Negro worker and Communist candidate for assembly in the 52nd district, and mercilessly beat Paul Walton, another Negro worker, who is now in the hospital prison with a broken nose. Together with Max Schmidt and P. White the workers are charged with criminal syndicalism.

Lawrence Ross, Southern California election campaign manager, was arrested while approaching the broadcasting station from which Ford was to speak.

Leo Gallagher, attorney for the International Labor Defense, filed a writ of habeous corpus for all those arrested.

WORST POLICE BRUTALITY

The beating up of Paul Walton is the worst case of police brutality yet seen in Los Angeles. Walton stated from the county hospital that while he and other workers were walking along Central avenue, Red Squad thugs from two directions pounced upon him, felled him with a black jack blow and continued beating him, while he merely covered himself the best he could. When they finished with him his left leg was broken, two teeth knocked out, his face was a bloody mess and the left eye was closed. In jail he was questioned and refusing to answer he was beaten again, kicked in the stomach and torture did

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WASH. CONVENTION NOMINATES A FULL COMMUNIST TICKET

Filing Fees Must Be Raised by October 8

SEATTLE, Sept. 30.—The state nominating convention nominated a full communist state ticket, presidential electors, and mapped out an intense election campaign.

The following candidates have been nominated, in addition to electors for Foster and Ford.

For U. S. Senate, Alex Noral, Seattle.

For Governor, Fred E. Walker.

For Congress, second district, W. E. Elbe, Island County.

State Legislature, 44th district, Ballard, Senate Joel Strand; 33rd district, Rainier, Senate Paul Norton, Representative, John Laurie; 37th district, E. Madison, Representative, Hutchen R. Hutchens; 43rd district, E. Lake, Senate C. J. Blaine; Grays Harbor, Joe Shoer for the Senate; Skagit, Senate Iver Moe, Representative Edward Green, Archie Young, Stanley Anderson; Pierce County, Senate Everet Sherman; Thurston County, Senate Slover.

County Commissioners, Seattle district 3, Yetta Stronberg; Grays Harbor, Aberdeen, Darrow; Skagit County, Ray Trafton, Paul Nelson.

While the party goes on the ballot with the holding of the nominating convention, that does not mean that the candidates go on unless a filing fee is paid by the 8th of October. Such fees must be paid as for Senator, $100, Congressman $100, Governor $75, County Commissioners $36 and for State Legislature $10 each. The total amount necessary is $486.

Workers are called upon to raise all the possible funds for the short time left, as the election fight in Washington is seriously endangered if the money is not in on time.

Send all funds to Communist Party, 1421½ Eighth St., Seattle, Washington.

OREGON STATE GOVT. TRIES TO CONFUSE WORKERS

Forced to Swallow Petitions Although Party Was Outlawed

SALEM, Ore., Sept. 21.—The 13,000 petitions of the Communist Party were accepted here Tuesday, and the Party will be on the ballot.

The petitions, however, were held up for several days until a decision was reached to "determine if the Communist Party is a legitimate organization, and not coming in conflict with the criminal syndicalism law." Two years ago the Party was declared illegal when Ben Bollof was imprisoned, charged with criminal syndicalism for mere membership. Secretary of State Hoss declared, however, "no evidence has been submitted to show that the persons now filing under the Communist ticket would come under the ban of state law."

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1500 IN FRISCO FORD MEETING; 500 AT OAKLAND

Hundreds of Negro Workers Attend Communist Rallies

Fifteen hundred workers, cheering with the greatest enthusiasm, greeted James Ford, Communist candidate for Vice-President, as he was carried into the California Hall mass meeting on the shoulders of a group of workers.

Hundreds of Negro workers were present, the greatest number that ever attended a Communist mass meeting in San Francisco.

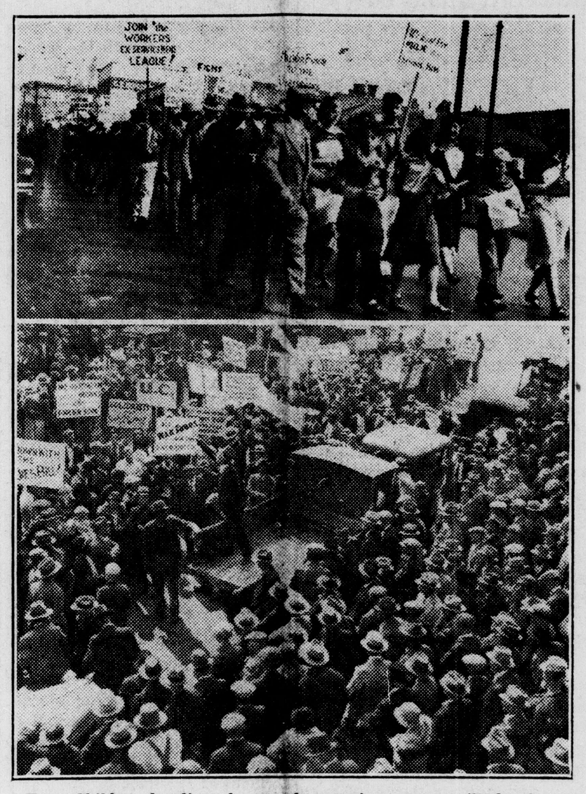
James Maurer, the Socialist Party candidate, who spoke in the same hall a few days prior, had about 300, among whom there wasn't a single Negro.

During the afternoon Ford spoke before a great throng of ex-servicement under the auspices of the W. E. S. L.

500 AT OAKLAND

More than 500 Oakland workers packed Odd Fellows Hall to the doors to hear Ford. A great section of the audience were Negro workers.

Alameda County Hunger March



Top—Children heading the parade carrying empty milk bottles. Lower—Meeting Prior to the march

3000 MASS AT ALAMEDA HALL OF RECORDS FOR JOBLESS RELIEF; SACRAMENTO COUNTY MARCH OCT. 10

Alameda County Board Only Promises Expenses for Fruit Salvage; Children With Empty Milk Bottles Head Parade; Workers Greet State Hunger March Plans

Six More County Marches During Coming Three Weeks; Los Angeles and Santa Clara October 3; Farmers and Hoovervilles Taking an Active Part

OAKLAND, Sept. 29. — More than three thousand workers massed at the Hall of Records in support of the delegation of hunger marchers inside presenting demands before the Board of Supervisors.

The march started from Tenth and Franklin at 10 in the morning, with a huge mass demonstration. It then proceeded down Franklin headed by a contingent of children of unemployed carrying empty milk bottles.

The parade, in which a thousand took part, was marked by great enthusiasm, demands being shouted all along the march.

The police reviewed the banners and took out all pertaining to the Communist Party.

Although the Board of Supervisors had made arrangements to hear the demands of the unemployed, when the delegation entered the chamber they found only two members of the board present.

The reply of the supervisors was that the demands were "unconstitutional" or "humanly impossible." However, they did go on record for federal unemployment insurance, but the leaders of the delegation declared that this was a mere formal endorsement designed to shift the buck to the federal government, and wash their own hands of the relief problem.

They agreed to furnish the Unemployed Council with all ex-

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SPECIAL TELEGRAM

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 3.—The Red Squad, together with hundreds of police armed with sawed off shotguns continuelly broke the orderly ranks and the marchers moved slowly to the Hall of Records, where, by 11 o'clock 3000 workers were assembled.

After the march was broken up some supervisors met in an election gesture and offered delegates reception, asking Sheriff Traeger to provide safe escort. Supervisors were silent when city council refused permit, waiting till march was broken up. Eleven arrested.

BULLETIN

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 2.—Intimidated by the Red Squad the owner of the American Civil Liberies Forum Hall closed the doors to Herbert Benjamin, National Secretary of the Unemployed Councils, who was to speak here tonight.

The Red Squad and many police surrounded the hall as early as 6 o'clock and would not let any one near the hall.

As the Western Worker goes to press two more County Hunger Marches are taking place. One in Los Angeles and one in Santa Clara County (San Jose).

The Los Angeles City Council, after originally agreeing to hear the demands of the unemployed, has refused to grant a permit for the Hunger March. The march will take place just the same.

The Santa Clara Board of Supervisors had promised a committee of the Hunger March on September 12 that they will grant a hearing between 10:30 and 12 on October 3.

SACRAMENTO OCTOBER 10

The Hunger March next in line will be in Sacramento County on October 10. Preparations for it during the last few weeks have been very intense, with many meetings in the city and farming districts in the county.

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S. F. SUPERVISORS HEAR DEMANDS DO NOTHING

The treatment accorded the Hunger March delegation by the Board of Supervisors of San Francisco on September 12, has aroused such storm of indignation and protests that when the delegation returned on Monday, September 19, a hearing was granted, although not without still trying to hammer the delegates down.

The floor was given to three spokesmen of the delegation, R. Lambert of the Workers Ex-Servicemen's League, J. Finegold of the Unemployed Councils, and Archie Brown for the Youth, who spoke before a packed chamebr.

Lambert started by reading the demands. He particularly stressed that the board should go on record for immediate cash payment of the bonus.

Finegold spoke in detail, describing the conditions of the unemployed workers in the city. He particularly explained the demands that $10 cash per week be paid for each unemployed worker and $3 for each dependent be raised by taxing all fortunes over $25,000, and cutting salaries of officials down to $3000. That the "move-on" system be abolished, that all work for the city should be paid for at the rate of $5 per day, and not in groceries, and also that all funds for the unemployed be under the supervision of the workers themelves.

Archie Brown, speaking in behalf of the youth, described the miserable flop houses and soup lines to which the migratory workers are subject. The ire of Supervisor Hayden, the chairman, was particularly aroused when Brown stated that thousands of young girls are forced by unemployment into prostitution houses

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Goff, Mooney Framer, Sent To Squash New Evidence

I. L. D. Obtains Confession Affidavit; Demand Real Investigation with Right of Defense to Question

Having failed by ridicule to kill the confession of Paul Callicotte, and compelled by fear of mass indignation to take some action, the San Francisco police sent Charles "Fameup" Goff to Portland, Oregon to try and break down his story.

The selection of the notorious "Frameup" Goff is a deliberate attempt to prevent the Mooney frameup from being exposed. Goff, as admitted by captain of detectives Dullea, has no intention of bringing Callicotte to California. His function will be to "investigate" (third degree) Callicotte, and to state that the whole story is ridiculous.

GOFF IN FRAMEUP CREW

Goff worked hand in hand with District Attorney Fickert, tool of the United Railroads, and Martin Swanson, Pinkerton, spy and tool of the public utility corporations, who engineered the Mooney frameup. Mooney incurred the enmity of the United Railroads when he tried to organize their platform men in 1916.

The I. L. D. at Portland, thru its attorney, Irvin Goodman, took prompt steps to protect the interests of Mooney and Billings by securing in Callicotte's own handwriting, the voluntary admission that Mooney and Billings had nothing to do with the case. This precaution taken by the I. L. D. is highly important and will prevent Callicotte being third degreed into "confessing" that Mooney and Billings gave him the suitcase.

DEMAND REAL INVESTIGATION

The Tom Mooney Molders Defense Committee and the International Labor Defense are demanding a real investigation and that Callicotte be brought to San Francisco to be questioned not only by the police but also by Mooney's defense.

It is considered that Callicotte may have the information that will expose the entire frameup, and lead to the instigators of the bomb outrage.

Callicotte voluntarily confessed he was paid $5 to carry a suitcase from Oakland to San Francisco, which he placed at the spot where the explosion occurred, a few minutes before it happened.

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Sklar Released Emery Still In

As we go to press the news reaches us that the Parole Board has approved the job found for Carl Sklar in New York and decided to release him.

The board was maneuvering in every conceivable trick to have Sklar kept in jail or deported, but continually increasing protests from all parts of the country forced their hand.

The only remaining Imperial Valley prisoner in is Lawrence Emery, for whom the fight must be kept up.

YOUNG WORKERS TO HEAR MARY HIMOFF IN ELECTION TOUR

Lead Delegation to Rolph to Free "Mooney Runners"

Mary Himoff, of the National Committee of the Young Communist League, is now touring the west speaking on the subject: "Why Young Workers Should Vote Communist."

One of the high points in her tour will be to lead a delegation of Young Workers from various parts of California on October 8 to Sacramento and demand that the governor release the six young "Tom Mooney Runners" who were given nine months jail sentences for demonstrating in the Olympic stadium.

The Sacramento Young Communist League is mobilizing for a big mass demonstration to greet the delegates.

Mary Himoff's schedule is as follows:

Eureka, October 6, 1418 A St.
Sacramento, October 8, Plaza Park.
Oakland, October 9, 727 Washington street.
San Francisco, October 10, 1164 Market St.
San Pedro, October 13.
Los Angeles, October 14.
San Diego, October 15.

DEMAND SUPREME COURT FREE SCOTTSBORO BOYS

Demonstrations October 8 Throughout World; All Western Cities Plan Huge Protests; Supreme Court Acts on Cases October 10

On October 10 seven lives are at stake. A mighty world mobilization of the working class is planned for October 8 by the International Labor Defense in an effort to save these seven of the nine Scottsboro boys who were sentenced to die on a framed up "rape" charge at Scottsboro, Ala.

The I. L. D. issues a sharp warning that only mass protest of millions throughout the world will prevent the U. S. Supreme Court at the hearing on the 10th, from upholding the death verdict a year ago of the Alabama Supreme Court.

IN SAN FRANCISCO

On Ocober 8, in San Francisco, an auto parade will start at the Embarcadero at 12 noon to end at the Civic Center at 12:15 p. m.

The parade will halt at other street meetings which will start at the following places: Chinatown, Washington Park, 12:15; North Beach, Columbus and Union, 12:15; Fillmore and Post, 1 p. m.; Mission, 16th and Valencia, 12:45 and Mission and 21St, 1:15.

Trucks and autos will pick up demonstrators and take them to the central meeting at the Civic Center at 2:30 p. m.

IN OAKLAND

An auto parade in Oakland is scheduled to start from 10th and Broadway at 6:30 p. m. Every negro and white worker and every organization able to furnish cars to take part in this parade are urged to notify the I. L. D. headquarters, room 1, 1020 Broadway, Oakland, so that detailed directions can be sent a few days before October 8. An open air mobilization meeting will be held at 10th and Broadway at 6 p. m.

The auto parade and demonstra-

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A. F. L. FAT BOYS REJECT RANK & FILE RESOLUTIONS

Eject Mooney Defense Representative; Threaten Expulsion of Communist

(By Special Correspondent)

Senator Hiram Johnson, McAdoo, Tubbs and a flock of smaller capitalist politicians, greeted with open arms; Mooney delegate denied the floor and forcibly ejected amid cries of "lynch him," "beat him up," "turn him over to the police."

This summarizes the utter debasement reached by the California labor fakers headed by Hoch and Sharenberg at the State Federation of Labor Convention in Modesto on September 19-23.

The main feature at Monday's session was the parade of capitalist politicians. "Labor" showed its "impartiality" by listening to addresses of both parties. In fact Mayor Dennet claimed that he was a "mild Socialist," so the setup was complete.

BEER MAIN ISSUE

On Tuesday the convention was honored with an analysis of the "depression" by Joseph Casey, son of the old labor faker, Michael Casey. After taking a good look at his audience he stated sadly that he lost faith in the organized "labor" movement, made a plea for militancy and got a militant applause when he finished by saying that the only cure for the depression is more and better beer.

The parade of politicians continued, this time the big shots, McAdoo, Tubbs, etc.

During Wednesday's session Hiram Johnson was introduced as "our Senator." In his oration he boasted about the passage of the anti-injunction bill. There was also nomination of officers and consisted in Hoch nominating Sharenberg and Sharenberg returning the compliment. Then they congratulated each other.

All energies on Thursday were reserved for the big blowout, so

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FOUR WHO LED ANACORTES FOOD RAID CONVICTED

1000 Farmers and Workers Force Release Without Bail

ANACORTES, Wash., Sept. 19. —Four workers, leaders in the hunger raid on Skaggs chain store here, were found giulty of grand larceny by a hand picked jury of rich land owners. However, the four, Moe, Anderson, Trafton and Wollertz, are at liberty on their own recognizance as the result of a militant demonstration by more than a thousand workers and farmers when the verdict was announced pending appeal. Marshall was found not guilty.

The militant attitude and mass resentment reflected at the trial forced the county commissioners to call an emergency meeting and furnish immediate relief to the starving workers.

The judge denied that starving conditions and other contributing circumstances were admissable as evidence, but the workers, in their closing arguments defending themselves, brought out the class issues submerged by the judge. The judge charged the jury to find a verdict of guilty, even if it appeared any of the defendants were passively present when food was taken.

The International Labor Defense is intensifying the fight for the freedom of the convicted workers, and has the support of thousands of workers and poor farmers.

Alaska Canneries Trick Workers Into Miserable Conditions

After Eight Weeks Workers Return Penniless; Compelled to Work 15 Hours Per Day in Stench and Filth

Mexican workers leave San Francisco to work in the Alaska Packers' Canneries with the expectation of receiving $140, board, bunk and transportation. After eight weeks in Alaska the worker returns (if he is alive) broke, usually penniless, and fully initiated in hell.

Where does the money go? Before the worker leaves San Francisco he must contract to spend $45 for a suit of clothes to be given to him after the trip, providing he is not in debt to the company. He must buy all his working clothes from the company agent, shirts, underwear, socks, etc., at two to three times their value, and as the boats do not furnish toilet paper, soap, matches, etc., the worker must buy them at outrageous prices. A worker is lucky to get started without spending $65 out of the wages he is to earn.

The rest goes for food on the ships and to the foremen. Food served on the ship is worse than one gets in jail, so workers must buy from the ship store. Eggs, canned fruit, etc., can be had if one pays 25 cents for two raw eggs, 50c for a 5c can of milk, and other prices at the same scale.

FOREMAN CARRIES GUN

On the ship the Mexican foreman with a gun on his hip takes charge of robbing the workers of what is left of their "credit." He sells them hootch at $5 a pint, tobacco (10c tin) 50c. He also sells a narcotic hashish, or Indian hemp in a small can at $5. When he gets the gang drunk and full of hop, conditions on the ship are unbelievably horrible.

Loaded dice and trick cards reduce the workers to indebtedness. Many of them lose their $45 suit before they have started to work in Alaska.

While the workers are living 95 in a small stinking cabin and eating rotten, wormy food, the foremen and stool pigeons are eating fresh killed hogs, fruit, vegetables, and living in good cabins.

In Alaska conditions are even worse than on the ship. The day starts when the whistle blows at 3 in the morning, and lasts until 6 at night. Though promised 50c an hour for overtime, none is paid though it is often necessary to clean up after work for two or more hours. Machinery is unprotected, and almost every day someone is maimed or seriously injured.

NO SANITATION

Once a week, just before the food inspector comes, the filth is cleaned out. The rest of the time the dead fish smell is suffocating. Fish heads, entrails, etc., are thrown into the cans. I tell this to show how little the bosses care about anything but profits.

The Mexican foreman, named Lina Quesada, used the butt end of his gun on the second foreman's head, crushing his skull. The superintendant refused to have him arrested. Workers got together and went to the United States marshall and he also refused to arrest Quesada. Finally the workers were said to be planning to lynch Quesada, so he skipped out. The last man seen with him, a mechanic, was found floating in the creek back of the bunk house five days later. A hole of about the size of a revolver butt was in his head.

Vice, robbery and murder are by-products of the Alaska Packers—a reputable American capitalist firm. We must organize to fight against this slavery and corruption.—A MEXICAN WORKER FROM ALASKA.

SO. CITY JOBLESS WIN CITY TRUCK FOR FRUIT SALVAGE

SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, Calif.—Four workers representing a committee of the unemployed of this city, succeeded in getting a city truck, gas and a driver from the city, and hauled over one and a half tons of free pears home from Santa Clara.

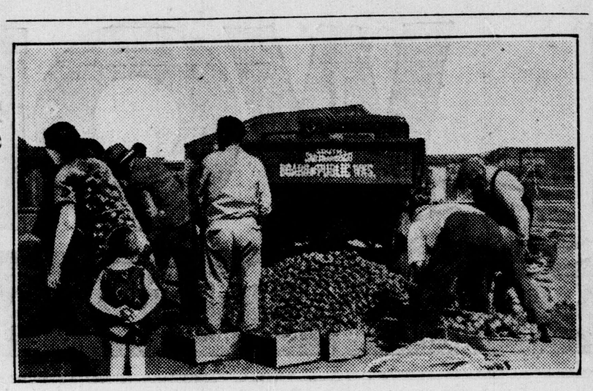
Over forty families were present to start out with the truck on the morning of September 1, but the city refused to furnish more than one truck, so only 13 families drove down.

The pears were distributed to those who made the trip, and a few hundred pounds were given away to other unemployed families.

The chief of police is furious over this, and he fears the growth of a militant Unemployed Council that will force the bosses to feed the hundreds of starving families in town.

The steel mills are practically closed down. Workers are scarcely making enough to feed their families. Hundreds are totally unemployed. The old crank in charge of the charity relief, Mrs. Peck, draws a fat salary supposedly to take care of the unemployed. But the fact is she gets her salary because she is succeeding in starving the workers.

We must organize and force Mrs. Peck to come through, or get out of her job. We need a strong Unemployed Council like the workers have in San Francisco, San Jose, Redwood City and elsewhere. Fight! Don't starve.



South San Francisco Unemployed Distributing Fruit Salvaged

STANDARD OIL JOB SHARING A SPEED-UP SCHEME

Few Workers Rehired Over Thirty Years of Age

RICHMOND, Calif., When the "depression" hit the Standard Oil refinery here, which normally employs about 1400 men at full time, the bosses got their heads together and resolved to ride out the storm by eliminating "dead wood" from their organization. Of course this meant the oldest of the employees and those not deemed sufficiently loyal.

As a result, a wholesale layoff took place, and many families were reduced to depending upon charity. Then, some weeks ago, after Hoover (with the people's money) had primed Wall Street for another gigantic steal, and forced commodities up and wages down, the Standard Oil announced that several hundred workers were to be taken back.

This announcement was hailed by the kept press as "another indication of the return of prosperity." Yet what are the facts? Did the Standard Oil Company call back any of the old men among the laid off employees? All the men hired were under 30 years of age, irrespective of whether they were bread winners for families or not.

The plant has adopted a four-day week. Thus, it is alleged, that employment may be spread as far as possible, and that every oil worker's family will have a bread winner. Yet what of the families of the laidoff men who are too old to be of any further use to the Standard Oil bosses? The Standard Oil's boasted philanthropy is selfish and shallow.

The Standard Oil is prepared to make even more drastic cuts, if times get worse, and has announced that various other work schedules may be installed, such as four weeks on, two weeks off; three days on, three days off; one week on, one week off; one month on, one month off.—Worker Correspondent.

HOOVERVILLES OF WATSONVILLE IN FIGHT FOR RELIEF

Santa Cruz Hunger March Oct. 7 to Protest the Mass Misery

WATSONVILLE — There are camps of unemployed native American workers and their families around Watsonville, some within the city limits, of 30 to 35 families each, making about 100 people per camp, 50 or 60 of who are children. "Houses" are mostly worn canvas and gunny sacks stretched over sticks stuck in the ground. There are absolutely no toilets; water is taken from a river nearby.

The bad conditions and lack of food are particularly noticeable on the children. They have pale, pinched faces, many have not enough clothes to keep warm. None have shoes.

One mother with seven children went to the Red Cross to ask for shoes so the kids could go to school. She was told that "they could go barefooted another month without the cold hurting them, and, anyway they preferred to go without shoes. The smaller ones cannot go to school at all because they are too undernourished to walk the mile to school.

Another mother with a large family reported that she was given a 24 pound sack of flour every two weeks, which never lasted more than one week because of the size of her family, and the lack of other food. Once the Red Cross gave her four cans of condensed milk.

A few days ago an aged Mexican worker went to the city constable for relief. After a thorough cursing, he gave him a miserably small box of groceries, and then told him not to come back. Race discrimination is prevalent here. During the winter one of the largest camps will be entirely covered by from six to nine feet of water. Those living there now are making plans to demand that the county furnish them cabins.

These workers are organizing by preparing a Santa Cruz County Hunger March for October 7.
—Worker Correspondent.

HUMILIATE FRISCO SCHOOL CHILDREN OF UNEMPLOYED

At the John Muir grammar school in San Francisco, children of the unemployed are taken from the lines, and in the presence of all the children, are examined to determine whether the clothing they are wearing will hold together for another week.

Those whose clothing are the farthest gone are formed into a column and marched to the Hermann school several blocks away, where trey are equipped with threadbare, misfit, cast-off clothing and worn out shoes. They are compelled to put them on and march back to be the objects of ridicule of the more fortunate children who have not yet become the victims of this stage of social degeneracy, arrived at by the Parent-Teachers Association, posing as a relief agency of destitute school children.

Other schools are subjecting children of the unemployed to a similar degrading, humiliating treatment. Resentment is growing and many unemployed mothers and fathers are favorable to calling a school strike or marching to the schools in a body to fight the condition that the Parent-Teachers are employing to rob these children of the last vestige of respectability they possess.
—Worker Correspondent.

Vote Communist November 8. Only the Communist Party leads in the struggle against starvation, war and for Negro rights.

NOTICE
California Workers

The Communist Party calls upon all workers' organizations and supporters of Party to take an active part in the "write in" campaign.

The Party is putting forth two electors. The names of these two electors are:

WILLIAM FOSTER
JAMES FORD

These names are to be written in the first two blank spaces provided on the voting machines for electors for presidential candidates not appearing on the ballot. There are similar provisions on all paper ballots.

On the paper ballots a cross must be stamped with the rubber stamp provided in the election boothes.

RED MEETINGS APPEAL TO U. S. NAVY SAILORS

Attend With Interest Communist Meetings

"Say, who are you for, Hoover or Roosevelt," a sailor whispered in the ear of the Communist speaker at Fillmore and Ellis on Saturday evening, September 24.

"I am for neither, I am a Communist," was the answer. "Oh, then it's O. K.," and he and about 25 fellow sailors with him stopped and listened with great interest during the entire meeting, responding with cheering and applause to many points made by the speaker.

This is typical of the attitude taken by hundreds during the navy's visit in San Francisco. Sailors have been in evidence in great numbers at many of the meetings and dances arranged by the Party during the period.

At a dance given by the Fillmore section, we have seen the unusual spectacle of a large number of sailors, a big per centage of Negro workers, Chinese, Japanese and Filipino workers all enjoying themselves in the best fraternal manner possible, tag dancing, etc.

15th Anniversary of Soviet Union

November 7 will mark 15 years since the Russian Revolution.

Knowing of the approaching anniversary, the capitalistic press has whipped up an intense campaign of lies against the Soviet Union, in an effort to detract the workers from the fact that the 15th ANNIVERSARY WILL ALSO MARK THE VICTORIOUS COMPLETION OF THE FIRST FIVE YEAR PLAN IN ONLY FOUR YEARS.

The workers and poor farmers throughout the west will join in making this not only a celebration, but also a demonstration for the establishment of a workers and farmers government in the United States as in the Soviet Union.

PREPARE FOR THE CELEBRATIONS IN YOUR CITY.

The Western Worker will carry more articles than ever on the Soviet Union.

Watch for announcements on plans for the celebrations in your city.

JAPAN INCREASES PURCHASE OF WAR MATERIALS HERE

Increase in U. S. Troops in China, Philippines

With increased resistance on the part of the workers and peasant forces in Manchuria, resulting in their capture of Manchouli, city near the Soviet border, and faced with increased antagonism from the U. S. on the Manchurian question, Japan is buying war materials to speed munition production in her factories, working 24 hours a day.

Figures show the purchase last week of $500,000 of oil from the Kettelman Hills by Japan, while the first half of this year shows an increase of $10,000,000 raw cotton, used for high explosives, than for the same period of 1931. The purchase amounts to 630,591,216 pounds, worth $46,446,907. Huge quantities of scrap iron and steel for shrapnel are being shipped from the United States. From South America last year more than 40,800 tons of nitrates were bought from Chile alone. The Chilean government has ceased the publication of these figures for this year, but the first four months of 1932 show an increase of 50 per cent with the amount constantly rising. These nitrates are for nitric acid and not fertilizer, for, as the S. F. Chronicle, from which these figures were taken, admits that "the Japanese farmers can't afford to buy fertilizer."

U. S. TROOPS TO CHINA

At the same time American rights of exploitation in China are to be safeguarded. The Army transport Republic sailed from San Francisco September 24 with 600 additional troops for Tientsin. A few days later 1100 more left for Tientsin and Manila. The U. S. forces at both places are to be doubled.

FOR S. F. NAVY BASE

To further the campaign to impress the United States government that Frisco bay is ideal for a naval base, and to continue directing the minds of the people toward war, about half of the entire U. S. navy came to San Francisco for Harbor Day, September 28. On that day a long parade was held together with the other military forces of the area, the fourth large demonstration of military character since last July.

The Chamber of Commerce and the local government is making a strong fight for the naval base, and recently the San Francisco Board of Supervisors forwarded to Washington a resolution charging that the national government is not providing sufficient "defense" on the west coast.

PLEDGES 15 VOTES FOR FOSTER-FORD

OAKLAND, Calif.—I see by the S. F. Examiner the Communists predict a vote of one million for Foster and Ford. So I say why not put our shoulder to the wheel and run our vote up to several million? If this one million would round up ten or fifteen more voters each, we could tell somebody to sit up and take notice. I, for one, will have about 15 to vote Communist in November.—Vet's Sister.

Foreign News Briefs

Revolt in Manchuria Grows

TOKIO, Japan.—The Japanese government is very much worried by the serious proportions that the revolt in western Hailung Kiang Province against the Manchukuo government has reached. The insurgent troops have occupied the city of Manchuli on the Manchurian-Siberian frontier.

Bands of Chinese railway guards have rebelled. An airplane sent against them failed to return.

Tsitsihar, one of the most important Japanese strongholds, was also captured by the rebels.

Argentina Drawn Into War

LA PAZ, Bolivia—Although negotiations are going on to settle the Chaco dispute, hostilities are increasing in intensity. Argentina is mobilizing troops on the Bolivian frontier, although denials have been made that she is aiding Paraguay with loans and munitions.

Francis White, assistant secretary of state of the United States, is the chairman of the "neutral" commission. Behind the war scenes is the rivalry of American and British imperialism.

S. P. of France Ousts Anti-War Members

PARIS, France.—The Central Committee of the French Socialist Party, by a vote of 14 against 1, decided to expell all those of its members who participated in the International Anti-War Congress in Amsterdam.

Many of the rank and file are getting behind Romain Rolland and Henri Barbusse, as is shown by the vote of 42 against 2 in the branch of the 17th district in Paris, for support to those expelled.

Colombia Party Paper Wrecked

BAGOTA, Colombia.—The offices of the Colombian Communist newspaper, "Tiera," were invaded and wrecked yesterday by a mob incited by militarists and the bourgeois propaganda for war against Peru.

The anger against the Communist newspaper was especially aroused by the exposure of the foreign interests, especially munitions manufacturers who are behind the war propaganda in the South American countries.

Andy Mellon Will Get Sore

MOSCOW.—The Dnieper Aluminum combinat is half completed. The mounting of equipment has started. It will be the largest in the world, with a capacity of 40,000 tons.

The Volkhov Aluminum Combinat, which started operation in May, has fully mastered the technical process of production, according to Kharitonienkow, director of the aluminum trust.

Airplanes for Agriculture

MOSCOW.—Farm aviation stations are being greatly extended for the next year. In addition to seeding, airplanes will be used in combating fires, planting forests, spreading fertilizer.

Interesting new features to be introduced will be the polinization of plants and the creation of artificial clouds to prevent early autumn frosts.

International Youth Day in Moscow

MOSCOW.—More than one-half million of the Moscow youth marched through the Red Square on International Youth Day, and pledged to struggle against war. Stalin greeted the marchers from the reviewing stand.

Another South American War

BAGOTA, Colombia.—Another South American war is threatened out of the tension growing between Peru and Colombia over the Amazon River port, Leticia. Colombian troops and airplanes are being mobilized for an attack against the Peruvians, now holding the town. A war loan of ten million has been oversubscribed here.

French Soldiers Going Red

PARIS, France.—Five hundred reservists of the 117th Infantry regiment, returning by train to Paris from maneuvers at Auvours, carried out revolutionary demonstrations along the whole journey, singing revolutionary songs and decorating the engine with red flags. When they detrained at Montparnasse they sang the "International."

Red Slate Wins in Vienna Factory

VIENNA, Austria.—In the factory council elections, at the Wimpassinger rubber plant, held September 9, the revolutionary list headed in the results, obtaining nine places, the reformists five and the Christian unions one. This is the first time that the revolutionary union put forward a slate. There are 3000 working in the factory.

Miners Sold Out in Belgium

BRUSSELS, Belgium.—Despite the statements of the reformists that the strike is over and calling upon the workers to return to the mines, many resolutions are being adopted for continuance of the strike. Communists are being arrested at Liege and Brussels, in an effort to take leadership away from the strikers.

English Weavers Still Solid

MANCHESTER, England.—The strike of the 200,000 weavers is still solid, although reports are already circulating about sell-out plans by the officials. The Communists are active in the strike, under the slogan that there should be no wage cut at all. The original demand of the employers is a 14 per cent cut.

Briefs

United Farmers League in Mt. View

MOUNTAIN VIEW, Cal., Sept. 26.—A United Farmers League meeting, held on a small farm in this vicinity, rallied thirty farmers of whom eight immediately joined the U. F. L.

The league is now making good progress among the farmers in the Santa Clara Valley, on the basis of a struggle for immediate issues.

Wages 7 1-2c an Hour

TULARE, Calif.—On the Tioga Ranch, near here, wages in the vineyards are 7½c an hour, three fourths of a cent per tray is paid for turning over the grapes. The workers are only able to make 75c to $1 per 11 to 13 hour day.

30 Per Cent Cut

STOCKTON, Calif.—Workers of the Stockton Paper Mill who have been receiving 49c an hour for years, were just given a 30 per cent cut to 35c per hour.

"Farmarien Klupi" Grows

ROCHESTER, Wash.—Organized a few weeks ago with six members, "Farmarien Klupi" now has ten, and three more are expected to join in the near future. Meetings are held twice a month at Finnish Public Hall.

Sailors' Wives

SAN FRANCISCO, Calif.— In Vladivostok I went aboard a ship flying the Red Flag. I thought it was a cattle ship because there were cows, pigs, chickens and sheep. "No," said a Red sailor, "we get fresh meat." Then he took me below. Each sailor can take his wife if he wants to, and have a private cabin. "Sailors are human," said the captain, "and besides, we are some times out six months."

'White Angel' Cries As Jobless Boo Her

By JOBLESS WORKER

As an immediate result of the successful Hunger March of September 12, a new Unemployed Council was formed on the waterfront of San Francisco. Most of its members, because they are discriminated against by the city relief fakers, are forced to eat in the odious White Angel Jungle.

The White Angel, who has always relied upon certain cheap chiselers to act as guards and stool pigeons, was of course informed. The joining of the unemployed in a council threatened her profits. The cure is terror. Or so she thought.

The first victim was an aged broken down worker, who, in order to get an extra bite to eat, had been doing odd jobs around the jungle. He went to the kitchen to get an extra meal, which his work entitled him to get. He was ordered away. He remonstrated. The overzealous guardian of the toilet hit this poor old man over the head with a club.

The next evening, a huge colored White Angel gangster, Jackson, ordered a small Chinese worker off a box. The Chinese, not understanding English very well, hesitated. Whereupon Jackson knocked him kicking. And, adding insult to injury, the Angel ordered the Chinese comrade off the lot. This aroused an organized protest from the underfed unemployed workers. A small fight ensued, in which the gangsters decidedly got the worst of it, thereby forcing the Angel to retract her order. For a moment white chauvinism raised its ugly head, as the Angel had been successful in misleading several colored workers. However, the members of the Unemployed Council effectively and immediately put a stop to this.

The day following a large committee from the council waited upon the Angel, with the demand that all brutality or intimidation be abolished forthwith. Did the Angel do her stuff? Big tears rolled down her fat cheeks. "The whole world is persecuting me," she wailed, "the police, the sanitary inspector and now my own boys are turning against me."

The committee, quite unmoved by her histrionic efforts, insisted upon their demand. She had to give in, hard as it was.

Just before dishing out the evening slop she mounted her "ship" and made another appeal to the crowd. One by one she counted off her good deeds and asked that "her boys" stay with her and protect her. For once the crowd gave the correct answer—a loud, stinging "Boo."

It was too much. Our grafting Angel fainted as gracefully as a she elephant.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA F. S. U GOES FORWARD

By B. ROSENFELD, Sec

The F. S. U. in Southern California has been in existence since July, 1930. By the middle of 1931 we had three functioning branches, with an average membership of 100. But it seems that our activities were not to the liking of the "Red Squad" here, and they launched one attack after another upon our organization.

Out of 300 members only fifty remained, and we could not even call a meeting of those. In an effort to solve the problem, we decided to reorganize the F. S. U. on the basis of neighborhood groups. Some of the members opposed this plan, maintaining that our organization would tend to take an illegal form.

By the end of 1931 we succeeded in establishing three neighborhood groups out of our three branches.

23 GROUPS, BRANCHES NOW

At present, 8 months later, we have in this city 16 neighborhood groups and seven branches out of town. Only this week we succeeded in establishing two youth groups with 17 and 12 members each. During the period of reorganization we succeeded in winning over a majority of our old members. Our membership at present is over 60 per cent native American. Over 50 per cent of our membership are workers.

Our groups meet twice a month. Each meeting of the groups includes an educational program. The usual organizational business is transacted until 9 or 9:15 p. m., and from then until 10:30 the educational program is conducted.

Our educational work is given careful consideration.

The result is that while we have 550 members in good standing, the meetings, taken as a whole, are attended by over 1000.

Once in two months each group holds a social event, which is combined with an educational feature. The income goes to the district sustaining fund.

Comparing the results of the branch and groups, we find the following: **In a branch of 100 or more we had ten or fifteen active members we considered that good. Now, in a group of 25 to 40, when we have the same number of active members, and therefore succeeded in increasing activity by about 200 per cent.**

One concrete example of the results of this activization is the increased sale of "Soviet Russia Today." The result is that while four months ago we considered reducing our order for from 750 copies to 500, we now order 2000 copies and are well on the way to realize our quota of 3000 by January.

Feeling confident in our membership, our first convention, held in August, 1932, in San Diego, decided:

1. To double our membership by January, 1933.

2. To attain our goal of selling 3000 copies of S. R. T.

3. To obtain 250 subscriptions.

4. To sell and distribute 10,000 copies of the pamphlet, "What the F. S. U. stands for."

5. To sell and distribute 10,000 copies of other pamphlets, such as the Tanaka Document.

6. To establish youth groups and pay more attention to the Latin-American workers.

7. To establish two classes, one for functionaries and one for speakers.

8. To send 10,000 signatures along with the November delegate.

SHORTCOMINGS

What are our shortcomings?

In some groups, at first, there was a tendency to concentrate attention on the educational lectures, thus showing the danger of the F. S. U. becoming an open forum.

There is a tendency among some members to scatter their activities, thus neglecting the consolidation of our organiation and in this way losing a good number of our new members. Some of the departments overlap. Some functionaries do not pay the proper attention to their departments, as for example the financial department.

Nevertheless our Southern California district has made a real beginning toward becoming a mass organization.

Veterans Plan Washington Bonus March for December

RANK AND FILE VETS DECIDE FOR NEW BONUS MARCH

National Committee of 25 Elected to Head March

CLEVELAND, Ohio., Sept. 26.—Unanimously voting to return to Washington in December in another bonus march, 248 delegates to the National Veterans Rank and File Conference, representing 18,000 ex-soldiers, adjourned here today.

Delegates will return immediately to their organizations thruout the country to intensify and broaden the bonus fight with the following program.

1. Organization of minority groups in the Legion and other veterans' organizations for one gigantic united front march on the national capital to present demands for their back pay, called "the bonus."

2.Delegates will begin immediately to organize demonstrations before the city councils of their cities for veterans' relief, and to force the heads of the city governments to endorse the demands for full immediate payment of the bonus.

At the closing session, the Veterans' Central Rank and File Committee of 25 members were elected to lead the struggle. Included on the committee are representatives of the Legion, Disabled American Veterans, Veterans of Foreign Wars and Workers Ex-Servicemen's League. Headquarters will be opened at Detroit.

James Ford, vice-presidential candidate of the Communist Party was elected an honorary member of the presidium, as was Tom Mooney, the 27 marines who refused to attack the bonus marchers, and Betsey Ross, great granddaughter of the woman who made the first American flag, and who now supports the program of the W. E. S. L.

A telegram from William Z. Foster, Communist candidate for president of the United States, was received with enormous applause. Earl Browder brought greetings to the conference from the Central Committee of the Communist Party.

Following the Rank and File Conference, the first national convention of the Workers Ex-Servicemen's League was called to order.

Western delegates to the conference and convention will report at meetings to be held throughout the west.

NEVADA FARMERS PRESENT RELIEF DEMANDS OCT. 5

FALLON, Nev., Sept. 30.—On October 5 a committee representative of the farmers in Churchill County, will present relief demands before the county authorities.

1. Immediate relief for poverty stricken and destitute, $10 cash for each per week and $3 for each dependent. Funds to be raised by tax on rich and all public officials' salaries above $3000. No discrimination against race or nationality. That Indian and single workers be entitled to relief.

2. No taxes from poor farmers.

3. Prohibition of foreclosures, and no seizure of crops, cattle or impliments for debts.

4. That an equal number of representatives be chosen by the unemployed and the United Farmers League, to be placed on the Churchill County relief association.

The above demands have been adopted at a meeting of the United Farmers League held September 14 at Old River Schoolhouse. A committee of action was elected.

Two I. L. D. Branches Formed in Phoenix

PHOENIX, Ariz.—The organizer of the 14th district, International Labor Defense, has reported that two branches, one English and one Spanish speaking, were formed here as the result of a street meeting of 300 workers.

A CORRECTION

In the August 15 issue of the Western Worker, in an article entitled "200 Attend Nevada Communist Meeting," the statement appears that the Methodist Church had invited a Communist speaker. This is incorrect. The comrades contemplated on arranging a meeting with a speaker of the Friends of the Soviet Union at the church.

VETERANS
"Bonus Fighter" Out

The official paper of the Workers Ex-ervicemen's League is now on sale throughout the country. Two cents per copy. Get all you want in bundle orders at one cent each.

The first number gives a detailed report of the first convention and much more besides. Order from Bonus Fighter, P. O. Box 38, St. D., New York City.

YOUNG WORKERS MAKE CHEST COME ACROSS WITH FOOD

Get a Big Supply of Groceries After Showing Militancy

SACRAMENTO, Calif.—Organizing a standing committee of single migratory workers, the Young Communist League has been successful in leading the fight for relief for young workers.

We went as a body to the Community Chest to demand $2 a week for room rent and $2 for meals. Jenkins, the manager, turned us down. He told us to come back in 10 days. We knew that he was mainly interested in avoiding demonstrations while the Community Chest drive is on.

Immediately we held a meeting in the Plaza Park, and on the Skidroad, exposing the Community Chest. The next day we enlarged our committee by 13. They tried to deal with us individually, and then tried to discriminate against certain ones in the committee. When they saw we could stick together, they gave in and turned over to us 9 sacks of oatmeal, 4 sacks flour, 1 sack onions, 2 sacks potatoes, 2 sacks beans, 1 sack rice, 1 case tomatoes, 1 case milk, 1 case syrup, 20 pounds lard and macaroni, coffee, bacon, baking powder, salt, pepper, matches, pears and oranges in proportionate quantities.

Today another group is going to repeat the performance.—

Young Worker.

MONTEREY PLAN OF ACTION BUILDS JOBLESS COUNCIL

MONTEREY, Calif., Oct. 1.—A mass meeting called in Monterey to form an Unemployed Council resulted in five joining. The next night these five brought 25 more of whom 19 joined the council.

A delegation was sent to the Associated Charities to demand shoes for two kids, which were refused. The delegation also demanded help for a family of nine children whose father committed suicide. It was later reported that each of the children will receive $10 per month.

The delegation called the council together again and agreed that they were still numerically weak. Twenty five more contacts were called together and were addressed by James Branch and Dick Durant, who spoke in Spanish. Twenty-one more joined, which now makes a council with 45 members.

The Unemployed Council succeeded in getting a hall donated for meetings, and expects to make rapid progress.

Charlie Lum has been elected organizer and Myrtle Childs is in charge of women's work.

LABOR FAKERS REFUSE HALL FOR JOBLESS MEETING

SAN MATEO, Calif., Sept. 30—The Building Trades Council here refused to grant the use of the Labor Temple for a meeting of the Unemployed Council.

On September 29 a committee of three from the Unemployed Council came before the building trades with the request for the hall. After an effort to avoid taking up the matter they finally turned the matter over to the hall committee.

The next day the U. C. was informed that the hall was refused. One of the officials stated that the Unemployed Council is too "radical."

3 Wage Cuts in Year

STOCKTON, Calif.—Women in the Stockton Hotel, who received $75 a month and board, were cut to $60, then $50 and now $45 and board. Several women who were laid off from sickness, have never been taken back. This doubles up the work for the rest of us.

TOMORROW — SCOTTSOBO
By JOHN MALTA

Alabama, Alabama,
You have heard
The White Workers' word;
Let the sound strike the ground
Of the South till it cowers:
THESE NINE—WHO ARE BLACK
GIVE THEM BACK—THEY ARE OURS!
White boss of Alabama,
Give them back without a hair
Burned upon the bloody chair,
Alabama!

Scottsboro, Scottsboro,
To the workers of the earth,
This day you are worth
Nine boys—hear the voice;
THESE NINE—WHO ARE BLACK,
THEY ARE OURS—GIVE THEM BACK!
White powers of the South,
You shall pay for every sorrow
That twists a mother's mouth,
Black mother of these youth,
Scottsboro!

White powers of the North,
These nine, who are black
Are brothers of the two
You cannot give back—
BUT—
THESE NINE YOU CAN GIVE,
SOUTHERN SLUT!
AND YOU SHALL—THEY SHALL LIVE!
By the crime of Massachusetts,
By the black workers' sorrow,
Terror for your terror,
Scottsboro!

BUILD WESTERN WORKER

Only two weeks left and the weekly will be out. Also the time for getting the thousand new subs will expire.

We still have a long way to go comrades, if we are to carry out the quota of 1000 new subs by October 18. This is how some of the most important sections stand and you can see for yourself:

Section	Quota	P. C.
Los Angeles	100	59
San Francisco	100	59
Oakland	50	36
Eureka	20	30
San Jose	50	24
Stockton	50	22
Fresno	20	20
Nevada	20	20
Idaho	20	15
Washington	50	10
Oregon	50	6
Colorado	20	5
Petaluma	20	
Arizona	20	

Total per cent of quota to date 30.3 per cent.

Despite the very small quotas given, some of the sections hardly started to move. This is true of all the sections listed below Oakland.

The northwestern sections and Colorado have particularly turned out disappointing.

All greetings for the first weekly issue must be in by October 13.

This will be a special and enlarged issue. The insertion per name is 25c. Organizations should also send greetings.

All orders for extra amounts must be in by October 15.

Six More County Hunger Marches

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The work is already bearing fruit in the fact that the city relief agency has been forced to grant relief to many single migratory workers.

SAN MATEO, OCTOBER 17

The San Mateo (Redwood City) march will be on October 17, and promises to be among the best. Good meetings have taken place in San Mateo, South San Francisco and particularly Redwood City, where 300 workers came to hear McKendrick of the Unemployed Council explain the program.

SAN JOAQUIN OCT. 17

In order to give many agricultural workers returning from the fields a possibility to participate in the San Joaquin (Stockton) County Hunger March, the date has been advanced to October 17.

SANTA CRUZ, OCTOBER 24

In order to satisfy the supervisors, who claim that they could not hear the demands on October 7, the original date set, the date of the march was set for October 24 and the board was notified. The march will proceed to Watsonville.

On September 25 a provisional conference to mobilize for the Hunger March took place in Watsonville, attended by 35 delegates representing workers and farmers organizations with over 200 members. The representative character of the conference points to a good Hunger March.

The local press has been forced to give wide publicity to the demands because of the tremendous sentiment for them.

OREGON C. P. WINS BALLOT FIGHT

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The Oregon section of the Communist Party considers Hoss' statement an effort to confuse the Oregon workers with the idea that the Communist Party of today is different than it was two years ago. The section committee declares in part: "The fact is that every conceivable effort has been made to have the petitions refused, as it was mighty difficult for them to swallow the idea. Of the 13,000 signatures obtained, 9000 were obtained in Portland, where the raid took place two years ago. The authorities do not dare to ignore the will of this mass of workers."

The enthusiasm as a result of this first election victory, has been a great impetus in the election campaign of the Communist Party, to which greater masses than ever are responding.

Scottsboro Demonstration On October 8

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tion will culminate in an indoor mass meeting at 8 p. m. at the U. P. E. C. Hall, 7th and Henry sts., where leaders, white and Negro, of the revolutionary working class movement, will speak.

Many A. F. of L. locals have co-operated with the Scottsboro Defense Committee for this demonstration.

On October 7, 8 p. m., at 1164 Market street, San Francisco, a final meeting of the Defense Conference will be held.

Send protests to the U. S. Supreme Court, Washington, D. C.

Demand a new trial for the Scottsboro Boys.

DELEGATE LEAVES FOR CLEVELAND

Oct. 28.—Mrs. Osolee M. Ruffin, who has been in charge of the Negro department of the Public Welfare League, and chairman of the Mooney-Scottsboro Defense Committee, left via Los Angeles today as a delegate from the east bay sction to the National Convention of the International Labor Defense, to be held in Cleveland, Ohio, October 8 and 9.

Von Haeseler's Case Postponed to October 7

SAN DIEGO, Calif.—The presence of 250 workers in Judge Kelly's court so terrified the powers who are attempting to sentence Von Haeseler and Ernest Brown for daring to lead a delegation to demand relief from the County Welfare Board on August 27, that the case was postponed until October 7. They fear that the workers will hear from the testimony just what actually did happen on August 27. Those in the courtroom promised to return with more workers on the 7th. The I. L. D. is defending the workers.

200 at Sunnyvale Protest Meeting

SUNNYVALE, Calif., Sept. 25—Protesting against the breakup of the Agricultural Workers Industrial Union meeting of September 16, more than 200 workers attended a meeting held on the same lot.

The chief of police and some stool pigeons stood by and listened to being denounced by the speakers, but did not interfere.

This is the first time that Sunnyvale has been opened to open air meetings, which will be regular henceforth.

I. L. D. APPEALS FOR SUPPORT AGAINST TERROR IN L. A.

October 9 Picnic to Rally Mass Protest on Scottsboro

The International Labor Defense of District No. 14, Southern California, has issued the following statement in connection with the wave of terror throughout the district:

"International Labor Defense, District No. 14, is defending 18 workers, now in jail, or awaiting appeal on sentences. Five of these have been in jail for 9 months, held for deportation to Fascist Japan and India; as a result of the Long Beach raids, January 15.

"'The six 'Free Mooney Runners' are in jail, while awaiting appeal on a sentence of from 9 months to a year.

"In addition, we must fight 19 cases of workers arrested and held for deportation to such countries as Japan, Poland, Greece, Spain, Sweden, England, etc.

"Almost daily the I. L. D. is called upon to defend workers arrested for working class activities. To give these workers adequate defense, to provide attorneys and prison comforts, we need funds.

It is especially important that the Annual Fall Picnic of District 14, which will be held Sunday, October 9 at Joyland Park, Montebello, Calif., be a MORAL and FINANCIAL success."

October 9 is one day prior to the U. S. Supreme Court decision on the Scottsboro case. .The picnic must mark a great mass demand for the release of the boys.

WORKERS' ENERGY SAPPED DURING 8 HR. DAY AT FORD'S

WILMINGTON, Calif., Sept. 30.—First about the generous wages of the "great benefactor" of the working class, Henry Ford. The worker is paid $6 a day, but he earns $12. Each worker has to start work when the bell rings at 7 o'clock, must be in the plant from 15 to 45 minutes early so that he can get his tools and stock all ready to go like hell when the line starts. The bell rings and they are off. Eight hours at top speed. By top speed I mean just as fast as it is humanly possible to drive men. I have seen men working on the chassis line run at full speed from car to car all day long, dripping with sweat, just to hold their jobs.

At 11 o'clock we are allowed half an hour for lunch. Fifteen minutes of this is spent eating and the other fifteen minutes in replenishing stock. Workers do not get stock on Ford's time. They can, of course, but the penalty of leaving your operation is the one way ticket out. Then for four hours more it is the same maddening race.

If the line stops for any reason, breakdown, etc., that time is made up after the regular quitting time. When breakdowns occur men are kept like prisoners at their posts from fifteen minutes to hours. They are not allowed to use tobacco in any form and there are no smoking rooms to relieve the tension during these shutdowns.

VISITORS FOOLED

Another of Henry's pretty bits of showmanship is the way he slows down the line while visitors are going through. This occurs three times a day. Visitors don't have to be announced. We know when they are coming.

Every ten feet there is an inspector or a straw boss. These are the slave drivers. A man cannot be a boss for Ford if he insists on being a human being. The workers are treated like dumb animals. Goaded and driven ceaselessly. That is the attitude Ford bosses have to acquire. There is so much to be said on the speed up from the workers' viewpoint, that it is impossible to cover it in a letter.

FORD ARRESTED AT L. A. ELECTION MEET

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not stop until he was vomiting blood.

THE CHARGE AGAINST HIM IS BATTERY.

The International Labor Defense has organized a Paul Walton Committee, which has started to give the widest publicity to the case, and will arouse the greatest mass protest, proving this was really an attempt to murder Walton.

On June 26, when Foster was scheduled to speak here, there was a similar occurrence, during which Foster was arrested and beaten up.

500 at San Diego

SAN DIEGO, Sept. 23.— Five hundred workers came to hear Ford here at Woodbine Hall, while Maurer's meeting, held during the same time had less than 200. At the Communist meeting there were 300 Negroes, while Maurer did not have a single one. Ten joined the Communist Party.

Earlier in the day American Legionaires were distributing handbills for Maurer's meeting. They warned Communist sympathizers that Ford's meeting would be broken up. However, the expected attack did not materialize.

The "liberal" Scripps Howard San Diego Sun made a last minute attempt to demoralize the meeting by announcing that "local party leaders doubt that Ford will be released in Los Angeles in time to speak here."

Many workers later reported that they stayed away on account of that.

2000 at Phoenix

PHOENIZ, Ariz., Sept. 24. — Two thousand workers assembled here at East Lake Park, expecting to hear James Ford speak, but were disappointed due to the fact that his schedule was broken up by his arrest in Los Angeles.

More than half of those present were Negro workers. Comrade Carr spoke and explained the situation.

1000 at Tucson

TUCSON, Ariz., Sept. 23.—One thousand workers gathered at Armory Park here and waited until 10:30 p. m. for the arrival of Comrade Ford, who was not able to fulfill the schedule, due to his arrest by the Los Angeles Red Squad.

In the meantime the workers were addressed by Comrades Sol Erenberg, the section organizer, Com. Gustandas, F. S. Lowe, M. E. Gehan and Taylor. The crowd responded very enthusiastically and unanimously adopted a resolution protesting the arrest of Comrade Ford in Los Angeles.

Five, of whom three are Negroes, joined the Communist Party.

YOUTH AND BLUE BLOUSES TO TOUR FOR SCOTTSBORO

LOS ANGELES, Calif.—Speakers from the Young Communist League and the youth branches of the International Labor Defense, together with the Blue Blouses, will start from os Angeles on October 2 for a tour to popularize the Scottsboro case.

A truck covered with signs demanding the freedom of the nine innocent Negro boys, will transport the young workers.

Special plays will be presented by the group on the following dates: San Bernardino and Ontario, October 2; Santa Monica, October 3; Ventura and Santa Barbara, October 4; Bakersfield, October 5; Pasadena, October 6; Belvedere and Watts, October 7; San Diego, October 8, and Los Angeles on the 9th.

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SUNDAY, OCT. 16—What Next in Germany? Sam Darcy, district organizer, Communist Party, speaker.

OCTOBER 15—Hunger Banquet, 8 p. m., 530 Valencia St., 25c per plate, good program, music, comedy sketch. Auspices Unemployed Council.

SATURDAY, OCT. 22, 8 p. m.—Greet weekly Western Worker, 1164 Market St. Good program entertainment, dancing.

OAKLAND

SATURDAY, OCT. 15, 8 p. m.—Entertainment to support the Daily Worker, Admission 25c; Play, music, refreshments; Auspices Communist Party, 727 ashington Street, Oakland.

A. F. L. Fakers Steam Roller Convention

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naturally nothing could be expected in the daytime.

MOONEY AGAIN—UGH

But Friday was the final conflict and everyone stood in his place. The fakers tried to bury the Mooney resolution again, as they did last year. However, their peace was disturbed by Louis B. Scott of the Mooney Molder's Defense Committee, who after struggling in vain to get the floor for five days, jumped to his feet and shouted: "You have buried the resolution, but you have not killed Tom Mooney's spirit. The spirit of Tom Mooney and the militant working class will haunt you and your fake conventions until you are dumped off the backs of labor."

Here is where the convention responded en masse. Brenner, of Local 68, Machinists, a San Francisco delegate, screamed "Mooney's representative has no more right to be here than a pig in a parlor." Scores of the labor sluggers pounced on Scott and dragged him out of the hall. Only the prominence of the Mooney issue and desire to avoid too much unfavorable publicity prevented a lynching.

The labor fakers showed their solidarity with the bosses on the frameup system, and placed their seal on the living tomb of Mooney.

6 LEFT WING RESOLUTIONS

There were six resolutions introduced by the militant rank and file of the A. F. of L. through Edward Harris of Local 68, Machinists, San Francisco. Those dealing with the demand for the bonus, wage cuts, recognition of the Soviet Union and on unemployment insurance were referred to the officers' committee, which is a traditional morgue for such things.

The resolutions calling for the freedom for Tom Mooney, against the criminal syndicalism law, and the fight against police brutality, were ordered stricken off the records and to be sent to Harris' local union. This means that not content with rejecting the most vital issues facing the workers, they will take steps to expel Harris.

Harris, being a Communist, and well known among the members of the A. F. of L. unions in San Francisco, declared that he will take up the challenge of the fakers, and will stick by all the resolutions he introduced.

The militant workers in all locals will be called upon to repudiate the decisions of the State Federation Convention.

3000 ALAMEDANS PRESENT DEMANDS

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penses necessary to salvage fruit and vegetables unpicked by the farmers, furnish trucks, gasoline and sugar and jars for canning.

They also promised to see to it that the departments at the Oakland health center, where hip and arm injections and other treatment was given free and now closed, will be reopened.

Among the demands considered humanly impossible was hot lunches to school children of unemployed.

Hendy presented a detailed report to the workers outside. His announcement that another State Hunger March will take place in January for real relief, was greeted with a tremendous applause.

S. F. SUPERVISORS HEAR DEMANDS

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protected by the San Francisco police. He demanded the withdrawal of the statement, as it was a reflection against the police force. Brown replied: "Withdrawal or no withdrawal, the fact remains that thousands are forced into prostitution by starvation."

After hearing the demands, the matter was turned over to the welfare and finance committees. The promise was made that representatives of the Unemployed Councils will be notified of the meetings, where the demands will be considered.

In the meantime the Unemployed Councils in the city are increasing activities manyfold, realizing that the Supervisors are only playing with the misery of the workers.

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Editorial Column

GET BEHIND OUR WEEKLY!

It has already been announced that beginning October 18 the Western Worker will appear as a weekly. From the joyous response throughout the west, we feel confident that the enthusiasm of all militants is there, but it needs to be translated into concrete organization.

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The Western Worker supporters carried through a splendid job of establishing a semi-monthly. Now, let's get to work and increase the strength and support for a weekly with the same enthusiastic spirit.

ASK MR. THOMAS

When Mr. Thomas tours the west and as usual shouts off a lot of phrases about "class struggle" and "capitalist crisis" and "workers' interests," ask him these few questions:

1. Is it not a fact that on June 15, 1929, in the New Leader, Mr. Thomas wrote an article called "Is Marxian Socialism Abreast of the Times?" In which he proposed to revise Marxism.

2. Isn't it a fact that in that article he calls Marxism "an outmoded philosophy?" He says that there has been an "arrest in the process which Marx logically thought would lead to recurring crises."

3. Is it not also a fact that in this same article Mr. Thomas says that "a fine case can be made out for Socialism from a consumer's standpoint almost without reference to the class struggle. The appeal to the consumer is something Socialists must remember and emphasize?"

Was Prosperity Ballyhooer

We are citing the above to show Thomas' unprincipledness. In June, 1929, when he thought he could catch a few votes by becoming a ballyhooer for prosperity, he wrote one way, and today, when he thinks he can catch a few votes by becoming a champion against the crisis (which he had predicted only three years ago would never occur again) he writes quite another way.

We also urge those poor workers and farmers who are allowing themselves to be mislead by Thomas' demagogy to ask him about the beating up of workers in Milwaukee by Mayor Hoan, his Socialist Party colleague; about the murder of Steve Katovis under an injunction obtained by Charles Solomon, another of his Socialist Party colleagues. Maybe Mr. Thomas can also explain the stealing of Comrade Foster's acceptance speech by the "American Freeman," one of Mr. Thomas' Socialist Party papers which found the socialist speeches so illiterate both politically and linguistically that they had to steal the writings of Communists and stick in the word Socialist instead of Communist in the hope thereby of confusing the masses.

S. P. Enemy of Soviet Union

Perhaps Mr. Thomas can also explain the action of Morris Hilquit, S. P. candidate for Mayor in New York, and foremost leader of the Socialist Party, in becoming the attorney for the Russian dispossessed white guards and monarchists in a law suit against the Soviet Union to regain their property taken by the Russian Workers.

Maybe Mr. Thomas can also explain the activity of his colleague, the San Francisco City Hall flunky, Cameron King, who played such a despicable role in taking the party of the working class, the Communist Party, off the ballot.

But better yet, the workers, poor farmers, terrorized middle class people and intellectuals should treat Thomas with the same contempt that they treated Maurer by staying away from his meetings and instead use that valuable time in carrying on activity for the platform and candidates of the oppressed masses, of the Communist Party.

IT'S STILL AROUND THE CORNER

How false the claims for return to prosperity are, can be seen from the Associated Press summary of "The Week in Finance" issued for the week of September 17. The electrical output fell from 2,443,977,000 units for the week of September 10 to September 17 to 1,476,442,000 for the following week. In other words, a fall of almost 60 per cent. Carloadings fell from the week of September 3 to the week of Septembr 10, which is included in the above report, from 559,727 to 501,824. Brokers' loans fell from $433,000,000 to $408,000,000. A year ago, during the same week, brokers' loans amounted to $1,207,000,000. Rediscounts fell from $401,933,000 for the week of September 10 to $359,023,000 for the week of September 17. New financing fell from $13,430,000 for the week of September 10 to $2,426,000 for the week of September 17.

As against this there is the rise of stock and bond sales, but neither of these are sound barometers of anything except speculative activities based on deflation. It is this false and artificial creation of the appearance of prosperity which is being ballyhooed by the capitalist press that the crisis is over. But the basic figures show that even Hoover's maneuvering in the financial fields have not been able to break the continual deepening of the economic gorge which the whole capitalist class from Hoover to Thomas so glibly call a "depression".

"I'll Be As Good a President as Hoover or Ro osevelt."—Thomas — By Williams



News Item—Ford arrested, many beaten up, as Red Squad breaks up Communist campaign rally.



News Item—Thomas will speak at the San Francisco Commonwealth Club on Thursday, October 6.

Comrade Foster and the 'Socialist' Liars

By GEORGE MORRIS

The Western Worker has received a number of letters from workers inquiring on the truthfulness of recent charges against Comrade Foster in the "American Freeman," a Socialist Party paper, edited by an old time social patriot, Haldeman Julius, now a candidate for the Senate on that party's ticket.

The basis is an article signed by Julius, stating why the "American Freeman" supports Thomas. The article was really an excuse for slandering the Communist candidate, and is entirely devoted to that purpose. The old slander that Comrade Foster sold Liberty Bonds during the war is revived, adding that "he was a rabid supporter of the war" and "may at any moment urge workers to die in the trenches."

The Central Committee of our party answered these attacks (Daily Worker, Aug. 16). The Western Worker dealt with the matter in a recent editorial, and were it not for workers who are still being confused by many scribes of the master class, there would be no further need to deal with it.

It is significant that the Socialists are not alone. They have been joined by every anti-Communist and renegade movement, being swept aside by the advance of the Communists.

The decrepit Socialist Labor Party, in the last issue of its paper, joins the chorus with a full page. As far as the Lovestone and Trotsky sheets are concerned, they are pioneers in this campaign. From them all the blackest forces get their cue. They have been answered many times since 1925.

What is the real basis of this united front of all the Social Fascist elements against the Communist Party?

It is in the fact that at a time when the war danger becomes most acute, and when the imperialists particularly want their treacherous service, that they need such a campaign to fool the workers away from the Communist Party, the leader against imperialist war. The Socialist Party wants to detract the attention of the workers from its own social patriotic past.

HILQUIT, BERGER MODELS

The "American Freeman" refers to Hilquit as a "model socialist," yet a little over a year ago this lawyer took the case of a group of Czarists in the United States to sue the Soviet Government for oil fields taken over by the Russian workers. Whole branches quit the S. P. on that account. Hilquit is still its foremost leader and its candidate for Mayor in New York.

The late Victor L. Berger is given as another example of one who opposed the war. **But the "Freeman" neglects to tell its readers that Berger's opposition was on a purely pro-German basis, and this in fact was his main source of support for Congress among the Germans in Milwaukee. He was rather in agreement with his fellow traitors in Germany who stood by the Kaiser.**

The "Freeman" does not tell its readers that the Socialist Party leadership during the war, altho compelled by the rank and file to adopt a militant resolution at the St. Louis convention in 1917, in practice carried through a pacifist policy, which means support of the Imperialists.

TREACHERY WORLD WIDE

The "Freeman" hopes its readers never heard that the leaders of almost all the Socialist Parties in Europe were most loyal lieutenants of the Imperialists during the war; that the Socialist Party financed campaigns of the Menshevicks, led by Abramovich in Berlin, for intervention against the Soviet Union; that their comrades in Europe murdered the most courageous leaders of the working class, such as Liebknecht, and Luxemburg; that the English Imperialist government, led by "Comrade" MacDonald, ordered the shooting of Indian revolutionists; that their brother party in Japan at this very moment is most active on the side of the Japanese butchers.

If the above facts (and these are only a few of them) are taken into consideration, it becomes clear that the charge is really at the door of the very gentlemen who are now so concerned with Comrade Foster's record.

FOSTER'S MISTAKE LINE OF S. P.

What are the facts basing the charges? Comrade Foster was the leader of the steel strike in 1919 when 350,000 were involved. Old timers can remember the vicious campaign against the workers, financed by the steel trust. Every effort was made to develop a great red scare, to prove that the strike was under Bolshevik direction to overthrow the U. S. government. Comrade Foster was the central target. The main purpose of the Senate committee investigation (its proceedings furnish the material for the charges) was to substantiate these charges. Comrade Foster's mistake at that time was in thinking that if he denied that he was a revolutionist, and against war, and stated that he bought Liberty Bonds, he thereby would protect the steel workers from the assault of the red baiting department of justice under Attorney General Mitchel Palmer. This was naturally an opportunist mistake, as he considered only what seemed the immediate need of the workers. Comrade Foster has on more than one occasion pointed this out himself.

What was the stand of the S. P. leadership at that time? They praised him to the skies for this very mistake. They considered from this that Foster logically belonged in their ranks, and demagogically tried to win him over. However, this was Comrade Foster's mistake for the moment, but is the entire, permanent, opportunist line of the S. P.

HALDEMAN JULIUS, WAR PATRIOT

Now, a look at Comrade Foster's critic. Julius starting in 1910 by going into the "Socialist" newspaper business, soon owned four papers, which he in time sold at a fine profit. He eventually bought the "Appeal to Reason," but changed its name to "New Appeal to Reason," to avoid the espoinage act. He was exempt from the draft because the imperialists needed him here. **He was a pro-war Socialist, and for the entire period of America's participation in the war, was jingoistically appealing to the workers for the fight to "save the world for democracy."**

This same scoundrel, immediately after the war, to cover his treachery, campaigned for the release of Debs, who was imprisoned for anti-war speeches. It is hardly necessary to go into further details of his long record of demagogy, and effort to hook on to anything that would yield a profit. This is perhaps best reflected in the contents of his "Blue Books." He is always on the auction block, ready to serve capitalism.

The latest fraud in this gentleman's sheet was stealing Comrade Foster's acceptance speech and substituting the word "Socialist" for "Communist," printing it word for word almost in full, hoping thereby to fool the thousands of workers and farmers rallying to the Communist platform. In stealing Foster's speech he only omitted references to his yellow party.

HEYWOOD BROUN JOINS JULIUS

This Julius has been joined by Heywood Broun, the "Socialist" Jim Crow advocate, writer for the capitalist New York World Telegram, and last year a candidate on the S. P. ticket.

Broun's latest lie is a statement that Comrade Foster was removed from leadership, and that's why he was not finishing his tour. Comrade Foster is now confined in bed, seized with a serious heart attack. Doctors declared that to continue the tour would be suicidal. **Comrade Foster remains the outstanding leader of our Party and is a member of the secretariat of three which heads it. That is why these snakes are hissing at him.** This latest of Broun's follows shortly after he announced that the Communist Party will be on the ballot in only 12 to 14 states, and workers will therefore not be able to vote for it. **But this scoundrel's trick also stands exposed. Our Party is already on the ballot in forty states, which is more states than the S. P. is on.**

COMMUNIST ADVANCE IS CAUSE OF ATTACK

It is significant that the "American Freeman," western organ of the Social Fascists, is particularly devoted to trying to fool the most radicalized workers. They even pretend to be friendly to the Soviet Union. This is because the west never was a fertile ground for the opportunism of the "Socialist" stripe. The S. P. is unable to revive a significant organization in any of the western states. While on the other hand, Communist organizations have of late increased several fold.

The workers know only the Communist Party as the leader in the fight against war, starvation and for Negro rights. Only the Communists face the terror of the bosses, while the Socialists, as in Los Angeles, get the co-operation from the bosses, newspapers, and the police.

That is why thousands will vote Communist on November 8.



WILLIAM Z. FOSTER

Com. Foster has suffered a serious breakdown after a strenuous three months coast to coast tour, during which he addressed 75 meetings, more than all other presidential candidates combined, is expected to return to the stump. The six months in prison for leading the mass demonstration of unemployed in New York, in 1930, contributed to the breakdown.

The Horse Shoe

By Loren Miller

Com. Loren Miller, until recently editor of the "California Eagle"," Los Angeles, the largest of the western Negro papers, is now in the Soviet Union, and writes while on the steamer "Abhazia," returning from one of the Black Sea Summer resorts.

When the last Czar of all the Russians built a new summer palace near Yalta in the Crimea, he nailed a horse shoe above one of the doors. For Good Luck. Nicolai was a superstitious chap. He kept himself surrounded by priests, ikons, altars and tokens—all of the trappings of the faithful. Luck was with him then. God was with him, too, and Jesus and the Virgin Mary.

The 1905 revolution was only the memory of the thousands who fell before the charge of the cossacks that bloody Sunday. (A fat priest had led them. With the cross of Jesus in his hand). But God and luck and Jesus are always on the side of the powerful.

That was a gala summer when the new palace was completed. Nicolai, Czar of all the Russians, must have thrilled with a sense of his power when he walked thru the beautiful gardens. He had luck with him (horse shoe above the door). The slimy Rasputin was there to whisper of the Lord God of hosts. Boastful nobles came to sneer at the mention of revolution. Faithful mercenaries oiled their guns, got ready to shoot the starving who swarmed the land. God, horse shoes, guns, Jesus, battleships, priests, cannons, ikons—all for good luck.

WORKERS REST HOME NOW

Today the horse shoe is still above the door. You can see it when you go to Yalta. Right where the Czar nailed it. But Nicolai, once Czar of all the Russians, is dead. His one time palace is now a rest home for workers. It's a lucky place for them, too. They rest and go out again to build socialism the better to bury the memory of the Czar beneath the towering might of social construction. God wasn't enough. Horse shoes weren't enough. Brutal mercenaries were not enough. Nothing could save Nicolai. The power of the working class is greater than ikons, horse shoes, soldiers, cannon, priests or good luck.

Solidarity crushed czarism. It crushed capitalism too. Swept it off one sixth of the globe. Turned palaces into rest homes. Gave land to the peasants, factories to the workers. Converted churches into social centers. "A better world's in birth!"

AMERICAN CZARS

Capitalism still lives in five-sixths of the globe. Czars of finance, of steel, of imperialism—Ford, Rockefeller, Morgan, Mellon, Dawes—still idle in summer and winter palaces at Tarryton, Palm Beach, California, the Riviera. Luck is with them, now. The hungry have been choked in their own blood at Camp Hill, Chicago, Harlan, Cleveland, Dearborn, Washington. New Rasputins, named Bishop Cannon, Harry Emerson Fosdick, Father Cox, Bishop Manning, Rabbi Wise—whisper of the power of Jesus, Jehovah, altars, crosses. Secretary Doak breaks strikes—and carries a potato for good luck. The army is ready. The police are ready. The navy is ready. A new manual tells how to shoot protesters in the back.

This will be a gala winter at a thousand palaces. There will be dancing, merry making, laughter, polite conversation, sneers for the mention of revolution, "to hell with the starving." Harry Emerson Fosdick's God, Secretary Doak's potato, Rockefeller's iron police and Kentucky gun thugs are horse shoes above the doors of capitalism. Why worry?

EPILOGUE

Scottsboro. Veterans marching in Washington. Hunger marches. Anti-War Demonstrations. Protests. These are the first faint rumblings of the red storm of solidarity gathering on the horizon. And the Czar is dead. Only his horse shoe remains. Nailed above the door of a workers rest home—for good luck.

International Events and Western Workers

19th Route Army Refuses to Fight the Chinese People; Japanese and U. S. Imperialism Spying on Each Other; Increased Sugar Crop War Preparations

The Nineteenth Route Army, which distinguished itself in the eyes of the entire world with its heroic defense of Shanghai, has again shown its mettle. Chiang Kai Shek, the Nanking butcher of the Nationalist Government, sent this army to fight the Reds. Associated Press dispatches report that after contacts with the Red Army in Soviet territory, the 19th Route Army mutinied. Other divisions in the Nationalist Government were sent against it. Five hundred were shot, 8000 imprisoned and several thousand more disarmed.

The factors which determine victories or defeats on the battlefield are no different from those which determine them among the civilian population. The 19th Route Army, which was so powerful against the Japanese imperialists, crumbled and mutinied when sent against the Red Army. The strength of the 19th Route Army lay in the fact that it executed the will of the Chinese masses in fighting Japan. Its weakness against the Red Army lay in the fact that the sympathies and support of the masses lay with the Red Army.

JAPAN-U. S. ANTAGONISM

Last year, San Francisco newspapers went into a rage over the report of the activities of the small Japanese boat which was following the U. S. fleet and reported to be spying on it. Now reports are that in Japan the capitalist sheets are paying back in kind what they claim is an exposure of U. S. spying upon their fortifications and industries.

"Americans are spying in Japan," splashed out Tokio's chauvinistic 'Kokumin Shimbun' last week, exposed the horrid fact that pictures of Japanese business buildings in Tokio, Osaka and Kobe have recently been taken by branch officials of Manhattan's far flung National City Bank.

"Soon several rich Japanese withdrew their deposits from National City's Osaka branch, mobs milled around its doors, branch officials received threatening letters and placards proclaimed: 'Patriotic Japanese employes of this spying American bank must walk out in a body!'"—(Time, Sept. 19, 1932).

While we have no facts to establish the truth of either instance, there is no doubt that this is the smoke which shows fire underneath. U. S. Japanese antagonisms are sharpening from day to day, and the charges of spy and counterspy are reflections of the preparations being made for the outbreak of imperialist war in the Pacific.

FAKE PROSPERITY — WAR PREPARATION

Further evidence of war preparatons can be seen in the handling of the beet sugar crop in the west this year. Despite the crisis and lack of market for sugar, there is an increased crop of beets being harvested and processed into sugar. The 1932 crop is estimated at 8,206,000 tons, which is more than 300,000 increase over 1931. This is chiefly in western states. Last year Colorado was first with 2,500,000 tons; California second with 1,060,000 tons, Nebraska, 896,000 tons; Montana, 642,000; Wyoming, 557,000 and Utah 512,000.

How can this be explained? Up to now the chief source of sugar for the western states was the Philippine Islands, and the chief source for the eastern states was Cuba. Four fifths of the sugar used in the United States comes from these two sources. In the eventuality of war, undoubtedly all of the source of sugar from the Philippine Islands will be cut off and probably most of Cuban sugar. It is for this reason that despite the lack of market the beet industry in the west is showing a slight increase.

No worker should be fooled by the agitation in the capitalist press that this is a sign of prosperity. It might be a sign of the letup of the crisis, if there were an available market now for the sugar, but the market is more than glutted, and this sugar is almost entirely for storage.

The working class will pay bitterly in an imperialist war for the crumbs it is getting in employment in the harvesting and processing of this beet crop into sugar.—S. A. D.